



CARLTON MINIOTT PRIMARY ACADEMY

Welcome

I would like to welcome you all back to school following the Summer Break. We have some new staff starting. We have two new Midday Supervisors Mrs Horwell and Mrs Binks. We also have a new Music teacher, Mrs Brown, who will be teaching music to KS2 children on a Thursday and Friday. Congratulations to Miss Costick who got married over the summer and is now Mrs Fisher.

Beginning of the School Day

Thank you for your patience this morning as we showed the children the new routine. Understandably, there were some very keen children this morning who arrived before their start time. Please try and bring them for the staggered time specified so that we can spread out their arrival. Siblings arriving with their brothers or sisters must be dropped off at the main school gate unless they are from the Reception class. KS2 children will go straight round to their classrooms. Reception Parents please take your child and line up on the playground in front of the Reception class where your child will be collected by a member of the Reception staff.

End of the School Day

Thank you for following the one way systems at the end of the school day, this avoided congestion. If your child is in Y5 or Y6 you may choose for them to walk home by themselves. A letter will be coming out in the next few days regarding this but this week I would be grateful if you would inform the School Office if you wish your child to walk home by themselves.

As usual please inform your child's teacher or the School Office if there are any changes to your child's normal collection routine.

Curriculum

Now your children are back in school the staff will be looking carefully at what the children can do to find out where their gaps in learning are. The staff in each class will be taking small groups of children each day to support them in catching up with what they have missed. We will be doing a more formal assessment week for Years 1 to 6 at the end of September to inform us of the progress each child is making. After half term we will send you a report on your child's progress and meet to discuss this on the Consultation Evenings on 17th and 18th November. We will then be able to discuss with you any further plans to support your child in catching up. This term we will be aiming to provide a balanced curriculum but understandably there will be more of a focus on English and Maths. Your child's teacher will be sending a curriculum letter out over the next few weeks which will explain more. If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to email your child's teacher.



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Coronavirus

Thank you for everyone who has observed social distancing while waiting for your child at school. Please can I encourage you all to remember to do so. From now on any visitor in the school building is requested to wear a face mask. Therefore if you make an appointment to see a member of staff please would you bring one with you.

Getting a test

The Department for Education has worked closely with Public Health England (PHE) and NHS Test and Trace to ensure that we are doing all we can to minimise the potential risks of spread. A key part of this is the appropriate use of testing to help identify people who are positive and subsequently their contacts. They have made testing available throughout the country and anyone with symptoms can book a test online or over the telephone through 119 to get the certainty they need to protect themselves and those around them.

To ensure they identify those with coronavirus while avoiding a huge increase in demand for tests from people without coronavirus symptoms, they ask that that you get your child tested if:-

- they develop one or more of the main coronavirus symptoms
- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- the loss or change of their sense of taste or smell, or they are recommended to get tested by a healthcare provider (e.g. GP or nurse).

If a child develops one or more of the main coronavirus symptoms described above, only they should be tested. There is no need for their households to have a test, unless they are also symptomatic. Children may feel unwell for example with a sore throat, stomach upset or a headache. These children don't need a test but may need to stay at home or seek medical advice from a GP.

Risk assessment

In order to open safely we have had to put in place a Risk Assessment which has been agreed by the Elevate Trustees. Our latest Risk Assessment can be found on the Coronavirus page in the parents menu of the school website.

Equipment in school

Understandably we want to minimise the amount of equipment that travels between home and school. Your child's teacher will be explaining to your child what they wish the children to bring to school. School will be providing all the equipment your child's needs, however, children in KS2 may bring a pencil case if they wish but we ask that this stays in school and that children do not share equipment with others. Reading books and library books will be sent home once again but will be quarantined before being re issued to other children.

If you have any books from last year would you please send them back to school with your child. Thank you.



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North Yorkshire Home to School Transport

The school transport network which was in place prior to lockdown will be reinstated for the start of the Autumn term, with services running from the same places and to the same timetable as normal. Vehicles will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected before each journey. Parents and children are asked to play their part in safety measures by making sure they wash or sanitise their hands before each journey. For more information on safety measures which will be in place on school transport, visit; <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/schools-and-childrens-services-during-coronavirus-covid-19>. If your child's pass has not yet arrived, you can still use the transport. As with every other year operators will carry children without a pass for the first two weeks of term. For bus timetable information please see <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/bus-timetables>

Well-being

Well-being is really important at this time. We want our children to be happy in school and so the teachers will be doing work with them on well-being. We have a wealth of resources to support this important area and so if you have any concerns or would like links to resources please email your child's teacher or speak to Mrs Ward on the gate in the mornings.

Communication

To avoid letters going between home and school we will be sending most of our information out by email. It is important that we have the correct contact for you. If you are not receiving information or it is going to the wrong email address please would you contact the school office to ensure we have the correct information.

School Dinners

Reminder that all school dinners must be ordered in advance on ParentPay. Failing this, a packed lunch will need to be provided.

New starters to school will shortly be receiving details and a PIN to enable access to ParentPay to book school dinners for your child on-line.

Medical Details and Allergies

If your child has any medical conditions or allergies that we are not aware of, please contact the school office urgently to update us with the details.

Online Safety

Support for keeping safe your child safe online and activity packs for children can be found at this link <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>